

Regular meeting of the City Council: Austin, Texas, April 26th 1917:

The Council was called to order by the Mayor; Roll called :

Present Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Absent none:

The minutes of the last regular and subsequent recessed meetings were read and adopted:

Councilman Powell nominated L A Palmer for Plumbing Inspector, which nomination was confirmed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, & Haynes 4

Not voting Councilman Powell 1

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:

That the sum of \$ 212.50 be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the General Contingent fund of the City of Austin, Texas, to pay the National City Bank of New York City for its services as fiscal agent for the City of Austin in refunding \$ 170,000.00, of Austins refunding bonds called for redemption January 1 st 1917.

This charge is made upon the basis of 1/5 Of 1% of the amount involved.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That the sum of twenty five (\$25.00) dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the general contingent fund of the City of Austin, Texas, to the miscellaneous Park fund for small expenditures that may accrue against any one of the parks and for which no appropriation was made in the budget of the City for the year 1917.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That the sum of three thousand seven hundred and fifty (\$ 3,750.00), be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Sanitary Sewer Earnings fund in payment in full, XXX per attached, approved bill of Rudolph Herring and Jno H Gregory, consulting Engineers and Sanitary experts of New York City, for professional service covering preparation of detailed plans and specifications for for a sewerage disposal plant for the City of Austin, Texas.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor .

Councilman Haynes nominated Mr A S Thweatt, to be a member of the Board of Equalization, for the term of two years, which nomination was confirmed by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew & Powell 4

Not voting Councilman Haynes 1

Councilman Anthony nominated the following named persons for the different positions as follows, viz :

*Nat City Bank
Cons refunding
Bonds.*

Transfer Funds.

*Herring and
Gregory
Engineers*

*A S Thweatt
Member Bd
Equalization*

*Appointments
Councilman
Anthony*

For Assistant City Health Officer, Dr R V Murray,
For Health Inspectors Dr N F Pease & Dr E Krueger
For Chief Fire Department, C L Woodward,
For Asst Chief do Geo Pendexter,
For Fire Marshal, Oscar Kunz,
For Laddermen Truck Co 1, Joe H Smith, L Shropshire, L W Lowden,
For Capt Engine No 1, E L Tallechet,
For Hosemen Engine 1, W B Erwin, Jno Woody, Fred Leser Roger Pryor.
For Capt Hose NO 2, Otto Brinkmann,
For Hosemen Hose 2, Wm Krueger, W C Hart, Aug Von Rosenberg.
For Capt Hose No 3, Ed Allen,
For Hosemen NO 3, Eugene Mueller, F A Peterson, R E Hickman.
For Capt Hose NO 4, C W Wright,
For Hosemen NO 4 Lewis T Deats, Wayne Bratton, Roy F Frutith
For Capt Hose NO 5, Harper Nations.
For Hosemen NO 5, Jno Lucky, Lawrence Hanley, W H Bonte.
For Capt NO 6, J A Turpin,
For Hosemen NO 6, Nolen Miller, Camille Maufreie, Elec Abramson.
For Capt NO 7, W D Neyland,
For Hosemen NO 7, W L Hearn, C L Ferris, Jas Pinget.

The nominations were confirmed by the following vote, the vote being taken on each separately:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 4
Not voting Councilman Anthony 1

Councilman Haynes offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That it is the sense of this Council, in view of the disturbed condition of our country at this time, that it would not be advisable to undertake the expense of \$ 6,000.00, or more instituting a radical change in the system of valuations for taxation in this City, not contemplated in the Charter, without a full and free expression of the people authorizing the change.

Therefore be it resolved:

That the resolution heretofore passed by a majority vote of the Council authorizing the Mayor to institute the " Sommers or Unit system of tax ~~XXXXXX~~ valuations, be and is hereby rescinded.

The resolution was lost by the following vote:

Yeas Councilmen Bartholomew & Haynes 2
Nays Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony & Powell 3

Councilman Anthony offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That for good and sufficient reasons unto the City Council moving, the balance of the fine & costs, amounting to \$ 11.80, in cause No 11825, State of Texas vs Sydney Peterson, for Vagrancy be and the same is hereby remitted.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5
Nays none,
Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

*Resolution to
rescind Contract
Wooldridge
Sommers
System*

*Sydney Peterson
Vagrancy
Remitted*

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That all of the Sanitary and public health administration of this City, save and except medical attention to paupers and medical and health supervision at the City Hospital be and the same is hereby concentrated in the hands and authority of one person, who shall be designated as Health Officer of the City of Austin, Texas, and who shall be appointed by the Supt of Police and Public Safety of this City, at a salary of \$ 1,800.00 per year, and

Be it further resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin :

That the position of pure food, dairy and slaughter house inspectors and the position of Asst Physician be and they are hereby, for the present, ordered dispensed with.

The resolution was lost by the following vote:

Yes Mayor Wooldridge 1

Nays Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 4

May 1st 1917:

Councilman Anthony nominated D K Taylor and J E Stubbs to be Patrolmen, which nominations are confirmed by the following vote:

Yes Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 4

Not voting Councilman Anthony 1

The following applications for license as drivers of service cars were presented and licenses granted by the following vote:

Yes Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none:

double

Billie Patton, 2110, Oldham street.

Joe Overstreet, 1422 Willow street,

Frank Warren, 103 E 10th street,

Issac Garner, 1709 Eva street.

April 26th 1917: All present:

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That the sum of twenty five thousand (\$ 25,000.00), dollars be and the same is hereby transferred from the unappropriated balance of funds in the Water & Light department of this City to the Sanitary Sewer department of this City, and the Treasurer of the City of Austin is hereby directed to make a transfer of the above amount upon his books, in accordance with the terms of this resolution .

The resolution was read the first time and laid over for one week.

The Mayor presents an amendment to the budget, which was read the first time and laid over for one week.

The Council then adjourned.

Geo. Johnson
City Clerk

*Resolution to
appoint one
Health Officer
for City Hall
order dispensed
with*

*D K Taylor &
J E Stubbs
appointed
Patrolmen*

*Given
Licenses*

*Transfer
funds*